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WATAUGA LODGE, No. 219, I. O. O. F.,
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WANTED—Ladies and Gentlemen
in this and adjoining territories to represent
and advertise the Wholesale and
Educational Departments of an old estab-
lished house of solid financial stand-
ing. Salary \$3.50 per day, with ex-
penses advanced each Monday by check
direct from headquarters. Horse and
buggy furnished when necessary; posi-
tion permanent. Address Blew Bros.
& Co., Dept. 6, Monon Bldg., Chicago,
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Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

Office of East Tennessee & Western
North Carolina Railroad Co.

Johnson City, Tenn., Feb. 3, 1905.

The annual meeting of the stock-
holders of the East Tennessee and
Western North Carolina Railroad Com-
pany will be held in the office of the
company, Johnson City, Tennessee, on
Wednesday, the 8th day of March,
1905, between the hours of 10 a. m. and
12 m., for the purpose of electing a
Board of Directors to serve for the en-
suing year, and for such other business
as may come before the meeting.

JOHN S. WISE, Secretary.

Field Seeds.

Any country merchant or farmer can
sit down in his home and write us how
much field seeds and other things of
the best quality he needs and we will
mail him a memorandum showing the
exact amount of the bill based on our
special low cash prices and await his
instructions. Shipments of eggs and
other produce taken to account at high-
est market prices on day of ar-
rival at Nashville. No order or ship-
ment is too small to receive our best
attention. Nashville Produce Co.,
1972 tf J. J. ODELL, Manager.

Barred Plymouth Rocks

The Best in the South

This is a strong claim, but I can am-
ply prove it by my show record for the
last 10 years. My birds, no only get
the creamy prizes wherever shown, but
their record of winning the American Plymouth
Rock Club's Silver Cup 3 years
in succession for best Cock, Hen
Cockerel and Pullet has never
been approached by any South-
ern breeder.

Stock and eggs for sale at reasonable
prices at all times. All correspondence
cheerfully answered.
A. E. TATE, High Point, N. C.

Local and Personal.

John Keys is ill with pneumonia.

Mrs. J. J. Adams is on the sick list.

Dr. W. J. Sproles spent Monday in
Bristol.

Miss Hattie Stern, of Bristol, is vis-
iting relatives in the city.

Mrs. John F. Fountain, of Hurdale,
has been in the city this week.

Frank Patton's family spent last
Sunday with Jonesboro relatives.

Walter Henderson, of New York, is
in the city a few days visiting home
folks.

J. G. DeLamond has accepted a posi-
tion with the Cranberry Furnace
store.

Mrs. M. L. Walsh and Mrs. Davis
were down from Elk Park Thursday
shopping.

Alex Jones, king fisherman of the
hatchery at Erwin, was in the city last
Saturday.

Mrs. H. H. Kirkpatrick spent last
Saturday and Sunday in Jonesboro
with relatives.

Miss Nellie Wade will go to Bristol
Friday to remain over Sunday with
relatives and friends.

Potatoes, 20c. per peck; Country
Lard, 10c. per pound. Webb's Old
Market, Main street.

W. A. Hunter is still confined to his
room with erysipelas but is improving,
we are pleased to state.

We are fishing for fish this week—
didn't get a bite last week. Webb's Old
Market, Main street.

E. T. Hart is in the eastern market
buying spring and summer goods for
the Hart & Houston store.

Hugh Webb trusts everybody—good
customers can get all they want; "dead
beats put up with a little less.

You'll find E. McCloud, the expert
meat cutter, running Hugh Webb's
market. He knows what to give you.

The salary of the mail carriers in
Johnson City has been increased from
\$200 to \$250 per year. This'll help
some.

R. M. Galloway came to the city
Friday from his home on Boone's
Creek, where he has been confined since
the first of January with grip.

L. & N. AIDS SEABOARD

In its Effort to Get the South and Western
Road.

It is reported in financial and rail-
road circles of New York that the L.
& N. railroad is lending encouragement
to the Seaboard Air Line in its en-
deavor to get hold of the South and
Western railroad and reach the Virginia
and Kentucky coal mines. It is very
reasonable to believe that this is the
attitude of the Louisville & Nashville
railroad, for the reason that the Sea-
board Air Line would permit of a means
for sending coal from mines located on
the L. & N. mines in Kentucky and
Tennessee to the sea coast.

It is now thought that if the South-
ern railway or the Seaboard Air Line
gets into the Virginia fields by means
of the short lines through the moun-
tains east of Johnson City, and that
Tennessee and Kentucky mines will
not suffer as a result. It is believed
that the Jellico region will be put on
such a basis that it can get coal by this
new route to the sea coast as well as
the Virginia mines.

In its present condition the L. & N.
will not be in the best shape to send
Jellico coal to the sea coast by way of
Johnson City; but by the building of
only a few miles of road from LaFol-
lette to connect with the L. & N. south
and east of Cumberland Gap, a direct
route will be secured easy to touch the
proposed extension of the Seaboard
Air Line. In the region of Pennington
Gap the L. & N. has recently been
instrumental in opening up large coal
properties, which, of course, are much
nearer the proposed new line of the
road than the Jellico fields, but it is
thought that the L. & N. will not be
content to allow only a small territory
of the coal fields on its lines to get in
position for the export business by way
of the South & Western and the Sea-
board Air Line.

The fact that the Southern railway
has spent a great deal of money build-
ing the Rabun Gap extension and is
now building a line through the gap
itself, means that this course when
completed will furnish an outlet to the
coal for coal further south than Ken-
tucky in Tennessee fields.

These railroad projects, taken in con-
nection with the ever increasing inland
market for Tennessee and Kentucky
coal, bids fair for coal operations in
this section for the future.

The construction of a line from the
Virginia coal fields via the South &
Western route, has been looked upon
with apprehension by Tennessee coal
interests, but these seem to be ground-
less fears. The southern railway is
put in a position of being compelled to
make a new and better line to the Car-
olina territory and its coast, by the
moves which other roads are making
on the checker board.

While coal operators of Knoxville
are disposed to hope that the Southern
will win in the fight for the South &
Western road, it appears that after all
nothing will be lost but doubtless much
will be gained. The reason why the
Knoxville operators favor the Southern
in the fight for the South & Western
road, is that they expect that if the
Southern gets it, the project will not be
completed and thus the Virginia coal
fields will not be thrown into sharper
competition with the Tennessee and
Kentucky fields than they are now.

Journal and Tribune.

Care of the Hair and Nerves.

By Madam J. De Canter.

The right way to brush the hair is
to grasp the brush firmly with the right
hand and the hair loosely with the left
hand and brush with a slow, gliding
motion—every strand being brushed
up, down, right and left in semicircles
from the forehead to the center of the
head.

The diet has much to do with the
condition of the hair. Vegetables and
cereals are hair tonics. Too much
meat and milk cause atrophy of the
roots. Of course, the hair comes out
as a result of this condition.

The nerve bath is a secret fad of
beauty doctors. It is, they say, just
the right thing to remove the wrinkles
caused in the lady of fashion by too
much gaiety and in her poorer sister
by the vulgar everyday round of toil.

There are three stages in the nerve
cure. In the first a cup of tea has its
part. The tea is made from the "best
green" and into the cup is put a slice
of lemon and a few drops of whiskey.
The tea must be very hot. The cup
is held near the face, so that the steam
is felt by the "patient," who slowly
sips and breathes the tea, making its
consumption last half an hour. Dur-
ing the sipping of the tea the clothing
is loosened and every muscle of the
body is relaxed as far as possible. The
next stage is to relax the muscles of the
face from a basin of boiling water to
which has been added a tablespoonful
of tincture of benzoin and a little violet
water. The skin is made wet till it
is quite soaked and almost steamed.

This is to relax the muscles and to pre-
pare the way for massaging with eu-
camber cream. The proceedings end
with half an hour's sleep in a darkened
room where even the ticking of a clock
should not disturb the perfect quiet.

Tax Notice.

Cost and penalties go on all state,
county and poll taxes March 1, 1905.
Pay now and avoid the rush.

J. R. C. LEWIS,
Deputy Trustee.

Ye old scoundrel that beat me!
Slipped off—won't pay me! Beating
some other poor man, eh? I will set-
tle with you for 50c. on the dollar, and
will promise you to never tell the mer-
chants you are now trading with. I am
HUGH F. WEBB.

We Are In It.

Col. W. P. Brownlow has kindly
sent The Comet a copy of House Bill
No. 18913, introduced by Mr. Gillett
of New York, "To increase the limit
of cost of certain public buildings, to
authorize the purchase of sites for pub-
lic buildings, to authorize the erection
and completion of public buildings,
and for other purposes.

By the provisions of this bill a num-
ber of public buildings are to be erect-
ed in several states.

Johnson City is to get a postoffice to
cost \$50,000, Knoxville gets a new
building to cost \$300,000, Columbia a
postoffice to cost \$70,000, Paris one to
cost \$50,000, and Murfreesboro one to
cost \$30,000.

Section 17 provides "that each site
selected under the provisions of the
act shall contain not less than 15,000
square feet of ground space, and shall
be bounded upon at least two sides by
streets unless otherwise specifically
provided."

Section 19 provides "that all build-
ings authorized to be constructed, en-
larged, or extended under the provi-
sions of this act shall be unexposed to
danger from fire by an open space of
at least 40 feet on each side including
streets and alleys. Provided, that in
exceptional cases and for good cause
shown, the secretary of the treasury
may, in his discretion, reduce the open
space to less than 40 feet and to any
dimensions which he shall deem suffi-
cient to afford fire protection."

This bill was introduced February
14, referred to the committee on public
buildings and grounds and ordered to
be printed.

There will scarcely be time before
congress adjourns for the bill to be-
come a law, but Johnson City is thank-
ful to be mentioned in the list of
towns deserving buildings. A year
or two ago, Col. Brownlow tried to get
us a building by a special bill and now
he puts us in the omnibus measure.
If this thing keeps up we may finally
get hit.

Valentine Dance.

On the evening of St. Valentine day
the young people of the city enjoyed a
dance at Hotel Carnegie under the
management of Mr. Horace Miller.
Hotel Carnegie is an ideal place for a
Tertsiorean feast and it was never
devoted more absolutely to the pleasure
of the guests than upon this occasion.

Mine Host McNeil and his good wife
left nothing undone that would add in
the slightest to the gaiety of the eve-
ning. The lunch was proper and pleas-
antly served and the wee sma' hours
found the dancers tripping the light
fantastic toe to delightful music. More
than a hundred guests were present in-
cluding Misses Trula Keenan, Adams
and Fay Thomas, of Bristol.

Another Case of Smalpoxy.

Dr. J. F. Arnold, county physician,
discovered a new case of smalpoxy in
this city Thursday. Conley Reeves,
son of Dan Reeves, colored, is afflicted.
He was exposed with the two colored
boys that are now recovering. Dr. Ar-
nold thinks the disease is now under
control and does not look for any new
cases unless from parties in quaran-
tine. He is taking every precaution
and deserves great credit for the way
he is fighting the trouble.

Majority of Stock With Blair-Ryan.

New York, Feb. 15.—The period of
depositing stock of the Seaboard Air
Line Railway under the Blair-Ryan
plan of reorganization, expired today
and it was officially stated that a ma-
jority of the stock had been deposited;
also that no extension of time would be
made.

Soldiers' Home Provided For.

The sundry civil bill as reported in
congress carries an appropriation of
\$390,000 for the maintenance of the
Soldiers' Home, and provides for the
erection of a dairy barn, a coal shed, a
band stand and an oil house, all to cost
about \$15,000.

Abutting Property and Street Improve-

ments.

The chamber of commerce of Knox-
ville will, it is stated, present a law to
the legislature for passage compelling
property owners abutting public streets
to pay a proportionate part of the ex-
pense for the improvement of the same
—a law the Chattanooga Times has
been advocating since 1893, when this
city first issued bonds for public im-
provements. The absence of such a law
from the statute books has seriously
handicapped the cities of the state in
the work of improving their streets.
The supreme court has held, it is said,
that such a law would be unconstitu-
tional, but we believe that under the
opinion so holding a law could be
framed at least partially covering the
point that would be good.

The Georgia law on the subject is
that the city pays one-third and the
abutting property owners on each side
of the street pay the other two-thirds
of the cost of improving such street, and
as a result the cities of Georgia boast
of well-paved streets. It is possible
the supreme court, in view of the great
detriments to our urban communities
such a holding as that formerly record-
ed is, would take a different view of it,
the best public policy now demanding
that the property owners be made to
bear a part of the expense of improve-
ments of which they will be direct
and personal beneficiaries. At any
rate, the experiment is well worth the
trial and Chattanooga will assist Knox-
ville in every way possible to secure
the passage of the proposed law.—
Chattanooga Times.

Kodol Dyspepsia Cure

Digests what you eat.

Johnson City Will Get New Depot.

M. M. Richey, assistant general su-
perintendent of the Southern, with
headquarters in Birmingham, passed
through Chattanooga Saturday night
after a visit to the Knoxville division
of the Southern.

Mr. Richey made a number of
changes at the Lonsdale yards and
created one or two new offices. He
promised a new passenger and freight
station for Johnson City and spoke of
other changes that might take place in
this section in the near future.—Chat-
tanooga Times, February 13th.

Putting on Finishing Touches.

Several weeks ago the Unaka Na-
tional Bank began to spruce up a bit
and installed handsome and modern
new fixtures, the most expensive outfit
east of Knoxville in the state. This
week finishing touches are being put on
in covering the walls and ceiling.

Starting at the base board there is a
four-foot wainscoting of linocrusta wal-
ton, a heavy leatherette paper, richly
embossed. It is stained a dark brown
and varnished. This is capped by a
deep mould and a gilt half round of
the same material. The side walls are
covered with a beautiful shade of dark
green ingrain paper and the ceiling is
of white moire and extends down the
side wall 18 inches to the gilt picture
mould forming the border. The effect
of the combination of colors is extreme-
ly pleasing to the eye and harmonizes
beautifully with the surroundings. The
material is rich but not extravagant
and is an evidence of the good taste of
the officials who are responsible for the
selection.

No Vandeville for Bob Taylor.

Nashville, Feb. 15.—Ex-Gov. Bob
Taylor is considerably stirred up today
over a sensational story printed in the
New York Herald a few days ago to the
effect that he was going to appear in
vandeaville at a New York theater. The
managers offered Gov. Taylor \$1,000
and expenses to and from New York to
appear one week. The governor was
about to accept, but when the theater
people wired him that they wanted him
to do a thirty-minute stunt as a vande-
ville artist, he promptly declined the
offer, saying he must deliver his lecture
in full or not at all. Today when he
saw the newspaper story which pictured
him as the owner of a racing stable who
rode his own horses, he became worked
up, and his attorney sent a message to
New York denouncing the newspaper
article as libelous and false, and de-
manding the instant withdrawal of all
advertisements relative to the gov-
ernor's prospective appearance in vande-
ville.

Northrup Held for Criminal Court.

C. S. Northrup, of Johnson City, was
arrested before "Squire J. M. King
Wednesday charged with obtaining mon-
ey by false and fraudulent pretenses.
Having heard the proof the committing
justice held that under the statute the
offense as charged had been committed
and that there was probable cause to
believe that the defendant was guilty
thereof. He therefore held him for
action of the grand jury in a bond of
\$4,000 and in default thereof he was
committed to jail.

A. C. Grimm appeared for the pro-

secution and Joseph Black for the de-
fense.

Gen. Wallace Dead.

Crawfordsville, Ind., Feb. 15.—Sur-
rounded by his family, Gen. Lew Wal-
lace, author of "Ben Hur," one time
minister to Turkey, and veteran of the
Mexican and civil wars, died at his
home in this city tonight, aged sev-
enty-eight years.

Money talks, but its salutation is

more often "Good-by" than "How'do
do."—Philadelphia Record.

HIDES WANTED!

Cash paid on delivery for

GREEN, SALTED OR DRY HIDES

Write for particulars.

Elk Valley Tannery

JELICO, TENNESSEE.

S. C. WILLIAMS, President.
J. D. Cox, Vice-Pres't.

TATE L. EARNEST, Cashier.
ADAM B. CROUCH, Asst. Cashier

Unaka National Bank,

Johnson City, Tenn.

Capital Stock	\$ 50,000.00
Liability on Stock	50,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	20,000.00

Total Security.....\$ 120,000.00

Interest paid on Certificates of Deposit by special arrangement.
All business entrusted to us will receive careful and prompt attention.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS—J. D. Cox, M. S. Elsea, Dr. A. S. N. Dobson, S. C.
Williams and Tate L. Earnest.

A Nice Pay Roll.

Friday morning of this week the
Unaka National Bank made up a pay
roll of \$38,000 for pension payments at
the soldier's home. Every dollar was
in gold and for a few days all that
glitters about the "old comrades" will
be gold.

\$35,000 Timber Deal.

Bristol, Tenn., Feb. 7.—A deal was
closed with the Boston Iron and Tim-
ber Company here today by which the
R. E. Wood Lumber Company, of
Baltimore, gets possession of the tim-
ber on a 6,700 acre tract in Carter
county, East Tennessee. The consid-
eration is \$35,000. Of this \$15,000 was
paid today. The purchasing company
will manufacture the timber into lum-
ber.

Serious Accident to Judge Hacker.

Jonesboro, Feb. 15.—This commu-
nity was shocked this morning to learn
that Judge Newton Hacker had met
with a serious accident in attempting
to cross his back porch, which was icy.
He slipped and fell, fracturing his hip.
The judge is well known throughout
East Tennessee as one of its most re-
spected citizens. He is nearing sev-
enties and an injury of this kind is apt
to prove very serious.

Each Rates Women.

Chicago, Feb. 12.—Johann Hoch
made a statement today that his mari-
monial ventures were not love affairs.
"I want to correct one impression of
me given the public," he said. "All
are led to believe that I am a regular
Romeo. I am not. I did not love any
of my wives. I have no use for them.
It was purely a business proposition
with me. When I found they had
money, then I went after them. When
I got it I left them.

They had no charms for me. I ad-

vertised for women over 43. I found
they were easier to separate from their
money.

"Flattery was my chief stock in
trade. You can win a woman quicker
that way than any other."

Maj. Edwin Fitzgerald, assistant

general freight agent of the Southern
Railway and manager of the Asheville
line, died at the home of Judge Ster-
ling B. Toney in Denver.

J. H. McClister Ill.

Morristown, Feb. 14.—J. H. Mc-
Clister, a prominent Mason, and well
known in Masonic circles all over the
state, is critically ill at his home near
here and there is little hope of his re-
covery.

A country that indulges in automo-

bile races hasn't much right to tilt its
nose at anybody's bull ring.—Courier.

Fanny—Is your doll's hair real?

Grace—"Course it is. It comes off just
like mamma's.—Brooklyn Life.

"I can't take this," said the street

car conductor as he looked at the plug-
ged dime. "I'm sorry," rejoined the
passenger, "but that's all I've got. If
you don't want it give it to the com-
pany."—Chicago News.

Fair Devotee—I don't see any way to

raise our church debt except to have
a lottery. Minister—"That will never
have my sanction, madam, never, un-
less you call it by some other name.—
New York Weekly.

A Herald Washington special says:

"Congress is riding headlong for a
great deficit at the end of the next
fiscal year unless President Roosevelt
uses veto power. The deficit so far is
\$24,814,550."

The official directory of the Catholic

church for 1905 gives the Catholic pop-
ulation under the American flag as \$30-
563,492. Of these 12,467,792 are in
America and 7,053,699 in the Philip-
pines.

Don't get up with baby these cold

nights. Instead give Dr. Fahney's
Teething Syrup. It prevents and cures
colic. All druggists.

Pianos

Do not say you can not afford to buy
a piano. We can sell you one on
terms so easy that it will be no bur-
den for you to pay for it. On account
of the very small expense to which
we are put in selling pianos, we can
save you a good sum on the purchase
price, and at the same time make the
monthly payments as small as \$10.00.
It would be a pleasure to us to dis-
cuss the matter with you.

LYLE & McCORKLE.



We will sell any
Heating Stove
in stock at a great reduction in
price, as we must make room for

Spring Goods

WE HAVE A WELL-WILSON HEATERS
ASSORTED STOCK
both for coal and wood, and, at the reduction in price, it
will pay you to invest now for your next year's demands.

SUMMERS-PARROTT HARDWARE CO.